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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1. ☒ \*Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
(See 37 CFR 1.27)
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 25]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the Invention  
— Cross References to Related Applications  
— Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D  
— Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a  
computer program listing appendix  
— Background of the Invention  
— Brief Summary of the Invention  
— Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
— Detailed Description  
— Claim(s)  
— Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 9]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)  
[Note Box 5 below]
- DELETION OF INVENTORS**
- i. ☐ Signed statement attached deleting  
inventor(s) named in the prior application, see  
CFR §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

Attorney Docket No. 16676

First Inventor or Application Identifier Donald DeMotte et al.

Title Automated Palletizing Cases Having Mixed Sizes and Shapes

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- b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:
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- ii. ☐ Paper
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents)
10. ☐ 37 CFR §3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable).
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS  
Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
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16. ☐ Request and Certificate under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).  
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17. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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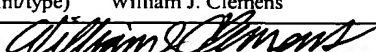
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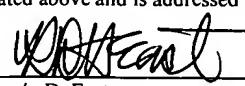
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Filing Date	
First Named Inventor	Donald DeMotte et al.
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Attorney Docket No.	16676

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1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	770
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

**SUBTOTAL (1)** \$ 770**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

			Fee from		
			Extra Claims	Below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	19	-20** =	0	x	0
Independent	2	-3** =	0	x	0
Claims					
Multiple Dependent					0

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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting a publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within 1 <sup>st</sup> month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within 2 <sup>nd</sup> month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within 3 <sup>rd</sup> month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within 4 <sup>th</sup> month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within 5 <sup>th</sup> month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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**SUBTOTAL (3)** \$ 0**SUBMITTED BY**

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UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor	Donald DeMotte et al.
Title	Automated Palletizing Cases Having Mixed Sizes and Shapes
Atty Docket Number	16676

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not** be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires the publication at eighteen months after filing.

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April 9, 2004  
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